

## **CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

### **Commission Allocation Approval FFY 2002-03 Amtrak (Intercity Rail) Operating Support**

#### **Resolution MFP-02-13**

- 1.1 WHEREAS, under Section 99316 of the Public Utilities Code, the Commission has responsibility for allocating intercity rail operating funds that are appropriated to the Department of Transportation (Department) for Department-administered corridors; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS, Provision #1 of Item 2660-001-0046 of the proposed Budget Act of 2002 appropriates \$73,138,000 of Public Transportation Account (PTA) funds for intercity rail services; and
- 1.3 WHEREAS, Government Code Section 14031.8 specifies that the Secretary of the Business, Transportation and Housing (BT & H) Agency shall allocate intercity rail operating funds to those intercity rail routes administered by a local joint powers board. As of July 1, 1998, the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Agency (CCJPA) assumed responsibility for administration of the Capitol Corridor. Thus, the California Transportation Commission is no longer responsible for allocating funds for that corridor; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS, \$23,586,000 in budget funds are reserved for the Capitol Corridor, and the remaining \$49,552,000 in budget funds are reserved for the Pacific Surfliners and San Joaquins; and
- 1.5 WHEREAS, for the three state-supported intercity routes, Amtrak projects FFY 2002-03 state share of loss at \$73.1 million, Amtrak's share of loss at \$2.5 million, and passenger revenue at \$61.1 million. Therefore, total operating costs are projected at \$136.8 million. The composite farebox ratio for the three state administered routes is projected at 46 percent (revenues/total operating cost), while the farebox ratio for the Capitols is projected at 38 percent; the Pacific Surfliners at 56 percent and the San Joaquins at 45 percent; and

1.6 WHEREAS, the Commission recognizes that actual expenditures on the Pacific Surfliners and San Joaquins may differ from current estimates. For changes of 10 percent or less, the Department has total flexibility to transfer funds between the Pacific Surfliner and San Joaquin routes and will report these changes to the Commission on a quarterly basis; changes above 10 percent must be approved by the Commission prior to expenditure. Transfers can be made based upon actual expenditures or emergency situations.

2.1 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a total of \$49,552,000 be allocated to the Department for existing intercity rail and feeder bus services with Amtrak as follows:

Pacific Surfliners	\$21,591,000
San Joaquins	\$27,961,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$49,552,000</b>

2.2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this allocation is contingent upon the passage of the 2002-03 Budget.

2.3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that authority is delegated to the Department to transfer funds between the Pacific Surfliner and San Joaquin routes if the changes are less than or equal to 10 percent,

2.4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department will report these changes to the Commission on a quarterly basis. Changes above 10 percent must be approved by the Commission prior to expenditure.